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Location

19 Cressy Street MALVERN, STONNINGTON CITY

Municipality

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Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO611

Heritage Listing

Stonnington City

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The Federation house at 19 Cressy Street, Malvern, a single-storey dwelling built in 1910-11.

Elements that contribute to the significance of the place include (but are not limited to):

. The house's original external form, materials and detailing

. The house's high level of integrity to its original design.

Later alterations and additions, such as rear additions, are not significant.

How is it significant?

The house at 19 Cressy Street, Malvern, is of local architectural and aesthetic significance to the City of Stonnington.

Why is it significant?

The house at 19 Cressy Street, Malvern, is a fine and highly intact example of a Federation house. The house strongly reflects the Federation Queen Anne architectural style popular in the first decade of the twentieth century in Malvern and across Melbourne more broadly. The asymmetrical composition with main gable, dormer gablet and polygonal corner turret, along with architectural elements and materials such as half-timbering with roughcast render and timber verandah detailing, are typical of the style. The use of quality materials and elaborate detailing imparts a sense of grandeur and demonstrates the status of the owner in wealthy established areas such as Malvern in the early twentieth century (Criterion D).

The house at 19 Cressy Street, Malvern, is a carefully designed and well-resolved example of a Federation house. The complex roof form with gables, hips, dominant chimneys, polygonal corner turret with 'candle-snuffer' roof, and rich timber decoration present a picturesque composition of this architectural style (Criterion E).

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Study/Consultant 2017;

Construction dates 1910,

Hermes Number 201748

Property Number

Physical Description 1

The dwelling at 19 Cressy Street is a single-storey detached dwelling set on a regular allotment, within a mature garden setting. The Federation Queen Anne style dwelling exhibits notable detailing including the ornamental timberwork, picturesque asymmetrical roof and elegant, blind 'candle-snuffer' turret. The 1910-11 dwelling remains in good condition.

The walls are clad in square faced timber weatherboard and the roof is clad in interlocking Marseilles tiles, with Federation star terracotta ridge cappings, and ball finials (Figure 3). A prominent 'candle-snuffer' turret, emphasising the corner and punctuating the roof, is also clad in terracotta tiles, with a decorative cornice (Figure 3). The blind turret is finished in roughcast render with a smooth rendered stringcourse and cornice which continues to the polygonal bay window below. Two red brick chimneys remain, with bulbous roughcast detailing, rendered cornices and two simple terracotta pots (Figure 3). A polygonal projecting bay with roughcast render head and flying gable are the dominant feature on the eastern elevation, with a smaller gablet adjacent (Figure 4). The flying gable, with half-timbering and roughcast render to the gable end, is supported on decorative timber brackets, with timber lining boards to the soffit (Figure 4). The windows are timber casements, and those under the verandah and to the polygonal bay are glazed with coloured leadlight. The verandah, incorporated under the main roof, is supported on turned timber posts, with an undulating timber balustrade frieze.

The site is bounded by a high timber paling fence to Cressy Street, with a number of small trees in the main frontage. Two modern additions have been undertaken; one on the north-west corner of the dwelling (undated) and one to the rear (west) of the dwelling constructed in 1992. Neither addition is visible from the public realm

(see Figure 5).

Integrity

The house retains a high degree of integrity to the Federation Queen Anne style in fabric, form and detail. While the house has undergone some alterations and additions, these do not diminish the ability to understand and appreciate the place as a fine example of a Federation house.

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